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SUBJECT: OAS TECHNOLOGY EXPERTS WORKING GROUP

REF: STATE 299448

1. EMBOFFS CALLED ON COUNSELOR LUIS EMERY TRINDADE OF FOREIGN MINISTRY'S SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY DIVISION ON DECEMBER 14 TO DISCUSS PARAGRAPHS 4-7 OF REFTEL AS INSTRUCTED. TRINDADE SAID HE WOULD BE CALLING TOGETHER A PREPARATORY GROUP WHICH WOULD DEVELOP THE BRAZILIAN POSITIONS FOR SUBJECT MEETING. HE INDICATED THE PRINCIPAL PARTICIPANTS--AS WELL AS DELEGATES TO JANUARY MEETING--WOULD BE FROM CNPQ AND THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE SECRETARIAT FOR INDUSTRIAL TECH-NOLOGY (WALTER BAUTISTA VIDAL-PROMINENT IN THE "NEW DIALOGUE" DEBATES). TRINDADE SAID HEITOR GURGULINO DA SOUZA WOULD ASSIST THE GOB PREPARATIONS BUT ATTEND TEWG AS CICYT REPRESENTATIVE; AND THAT LINDOLFO DIAZ WOULD ATTEND AS CEPIECC REPRESENTATIVE, NOT PART OF BRAZILIAN DELEGATION. NEITHER TRINDADE NOR HIS STAFF HAVE EVEN HAD A CHANCE TO STUDY THE AGENDA AS YET.

2. EMBOFFS WERE ABLE TO DRAW OUT TRINDADE ON ONLY ONE POINT: WHEN ASKED IF HE HAD ANY UNCLASSIFIED

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PRELIMINARY IDEAS REGARDING ORGANIZATION

OF THE WORKING GROUP, AND PARTICULARLY SUBGROUPS, TRINDADE REPLIED THAT HE UNDERSTOOD THERE WOULD BE THREE OR FOUR SUBGROUPS.

EMBOFF OUTLINED THE INITIAL US VIEW ON THE POSSIBLE SUBSTANTIVE AREAS FOR TWO SUBGROUPS, BUT THESE ELICITED NO RESPONSE FROM TRINDADE.

HE MADE IT CLEAR, HOWEVER, THAT SUBSTANTIVELY THE BRAZILIAN INTITIATIVES WILL REST WITH CNPQ AND STI.
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